# SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING AGENDA

Meeting Date: Friday, April 20, 2012 Time: 10:00 am - Noon

**Place:** Veteran's Memorial Hall

801 Grand Avenue

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Please RSVP to Chair (235-5779) if you are unable to attend this meeting.

10::00 am Call for a Quorum

## Call to Order

- Flag Salute
- Roll List
- Approval of March Minutes [April Minute Taker: Judy Salamacha]
- Approval of Agenda
- Guest and Public Comment [2 minute limit]
- Introductions

<u>Presentation:</u> Morgan Torrel, Dept of Planning & Building and Rick Gulino, Peoples' Self-Help Housing, will talk about "Affordable Housing Options for an Aging Population."

#### **Unfinished Business**;

COA Rack Card new edition

## **New Business:**

- Goals for 2012-13: Review. Vote at May meeting. (see attachment A)
- Priority Voting Tool: Discuss choices, modify wording as needed. Vote in advance of May meeting. (see attachment B)
- Committee Changes (Speaker's Bureau, Hearing Advocacy, Public Information)

## **Special Reports:**

• Pounders: House Tour report

• Schlitz: CSL Report

• Chair Report (Affordable Care Act)

### **Announcements and Updates:**

## **Adjournment:**

Next Meeting: May 18, 2012 Minute Taker: Diane Maiorano

#### SLO COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

Veterans Memorial Hall 801 Grand Avenue San Luis Obispo Minutes for April 20, 2012

**Members Present**: Marilyn Hamilton, Anita Shower, Judy Mishoulam, Kathleen Bellefontaine, Jo Dennison, Judy Salamacha, Marie Pounders, Margaret Ensminger, Carol Schmidt, Julie Macedo, Dorothy Schlitz, Mike Suddarth, Rosa Fernandez, Elias Nimeh

Absent: Maryanne Zarycka, Alice York, Diane Maiorano

**Guests**: Brian Petersen (Senior Living Consultants), Buff Lawson (HICAP), L.J. Lisk, Linda Butler, Rick Gulino (People's self help housing), Morgan Torell (County Planning Dept), Deborah Bayles (Age Alliance), Linda Beck, Marianne Flak

#### Quorum established.

Call to Order: by Chair Bellefontaine at 10:05a.m. Flag Salute. Circulation of roll lists.

Minutes from March, 2012 meeting: accepted

**Agenda:** No changes **Public Comments:** None

**Introductions** were made by all members and guests.

<u>Presentation:</u> "Affordable Housing Options for an Aging Population" – Morgan Torrel, Dept. of Planning & Building and Rick Gulino, Peoples' Self Help Housing.

**Ms. Torrel** reported from a power point presentation: By 2020 our county residents +65 will rise by 21%, an increase of 42,049; Many residents may be downsizing; SLO County housing market, 8<sup>th</sup> least affordable in US; only 167 housing units were permitted in 2011; Count Goals are 1/develop 2200 new housing units; 2/improve maintain and conserve 2420 existing affordable housing units and 3/reduce homeless by 300. How are they doing? They have programs in place, but challenges include designate more land, convert condos/create new mobile home ordinances, fund more home repairs; programs for developing "senior friendly communities need COA support & feedback. Action: Express an interest to participate in 2012...781-5113. Goal: AGE AT HOME.

**Mr. Gulino** reported that Peoples' Self-Help Housing started in 1970 under the Duncan Management Group. It has 42 affordable housing projects serving 5,000 in 3 Counties; SLO County - AG, Atascadero, Morro Bay, Santa Barbara, and Ventura. Some facilities are as large as 80 units, other 54 or 12 units. They own and operate the facilities. Managers at each property process their own applicants and background checks. Prices vary depending on situation of the applicant. Mixed housing and senior specific housing is available. All have waiting lists, but some have shorter wait than others. More housing is in development and planned to try and keep up with demand.

Gulino is proud of their Youth Program to get students though school from elementary to college. Each property has master's level counselors to help tenants with a variety of problems, including keeping them in their homes, and preventing homelessness. Pets accepted with seniors living; medical paid. Goal: AGE AT HOME

<u>Unfinished Business:</u> Exec Committee will be revising Rack cards with new picture and new priorities. Members interested in working on this, please contact Chair. Anita Shower has offered to pay for printing costs.

#### New Business:

**Revision of long term Goals for 2012-13**: Draft of Goals was sent to members by email for review in advance of the meeting. Lively discussion led by Jo Dennison advocating more connection with Senior Centers.

**Priority Survey Tool**: Members received copy in advance of meeting. Chair explained ranking process. List of topics gathered from member's comments on March Roll Sheet were discussed. Members agreed that bundling some of the topics for flexibility was appropriate. Voting will occur in advance of the May meeting. Results announced at that meeting.

**Combining Committees**: Chair announced that the Exec Committee decided that committees for the Speakers' Bureau, Public Information and Hearing Advocacy should be combined since the goal of all is Outreach and there are not enough members to spread the duties around. The new committee will be called *The Outreach Committee*. Hearing Advocacy will continue as long as rack cards need to be distributed. The topic of Hearing Advocacy its Power Point will still be offered through Speaker's Bureau.

#### **Special Reports**

Marie Pounders reported on COA members February Tour of Affordable Housing. The group went to facilities in San Luis, Atascadero and Paso Robles: Judson Terrace, Del Rio Terrace, in SLO, Atascadero Christian Home and Hidden Creek Village. Disappointment was expressed that California Manor has changed ownership and services available. The full written report will be available for absent members.

California Senior Senator Dorothy Schlitz reported on CSL progress. They studied and prioritized 62 proposals to be considered by assembly and senate. Twenty-one were voted out and 41 were accepted and are being considered at various levels. She reported on status of bills: AP-11 regarding identify theft; AP15 Elder Abuse/Money; AP24 Homeless Senior Vets Increased Benefits; AP32 Reverse Mortgage; SB10 Senior Alert program.

<u>Chair Report</u> Due to time limits, the chair distributed handouts on the progress of the Affordable Care Act and hopes to give a report on this in May.

<u>Announcements</u> – Elias announced Night of a Million Meals; Mike Suddarth encouraged members to send in nominations for AAA Seniors of the Year, before May 7.

<u>Adjournment</u>: Judy Mishoulam moved and Marilyn Hamilton 2<sup>nd</sup> adjournment. Noon adjournment Next Meeting: May 18, 2012